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## THE HEDGEHOG



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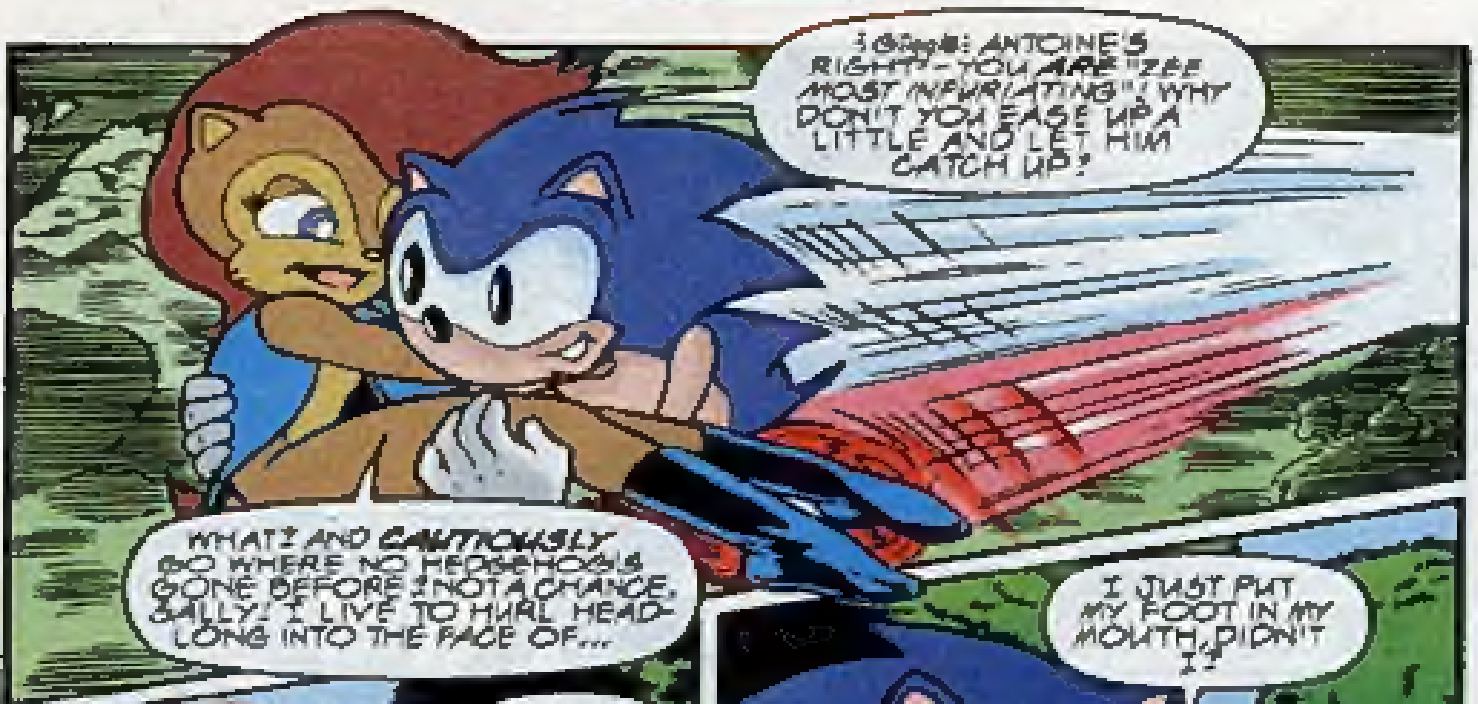




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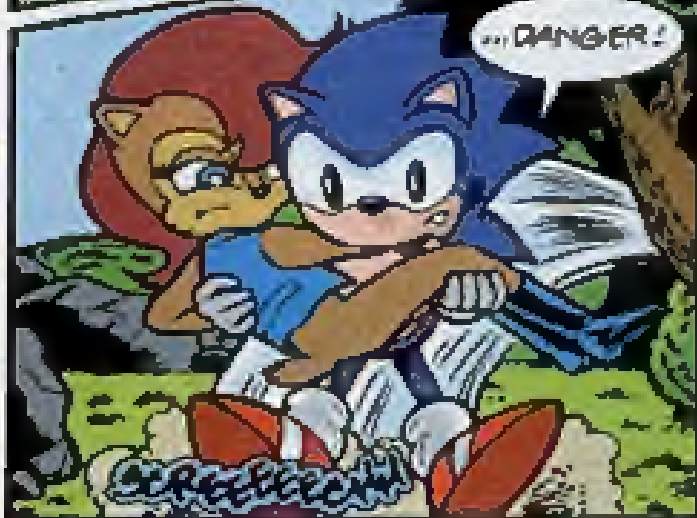




SONIC: ANTOINE'S RIGHT! - YOU ARE "ZEE MOST INFURIATING"! WHY DON'T YOU EASE UP A LITTLE AND LET HIM CATCH UP?

WHAT? AND CAUTIOUSLY GO WHERE NO HEDGEHOG'S GONE BEFORE? NOT A CHANCE, SALLY! I LIVE TO HURL HEADLONG INTO THE FACE OF...

I JUST PUT MY FOOT IN MY MOUTH, DIDN'T I?



... DANGER!

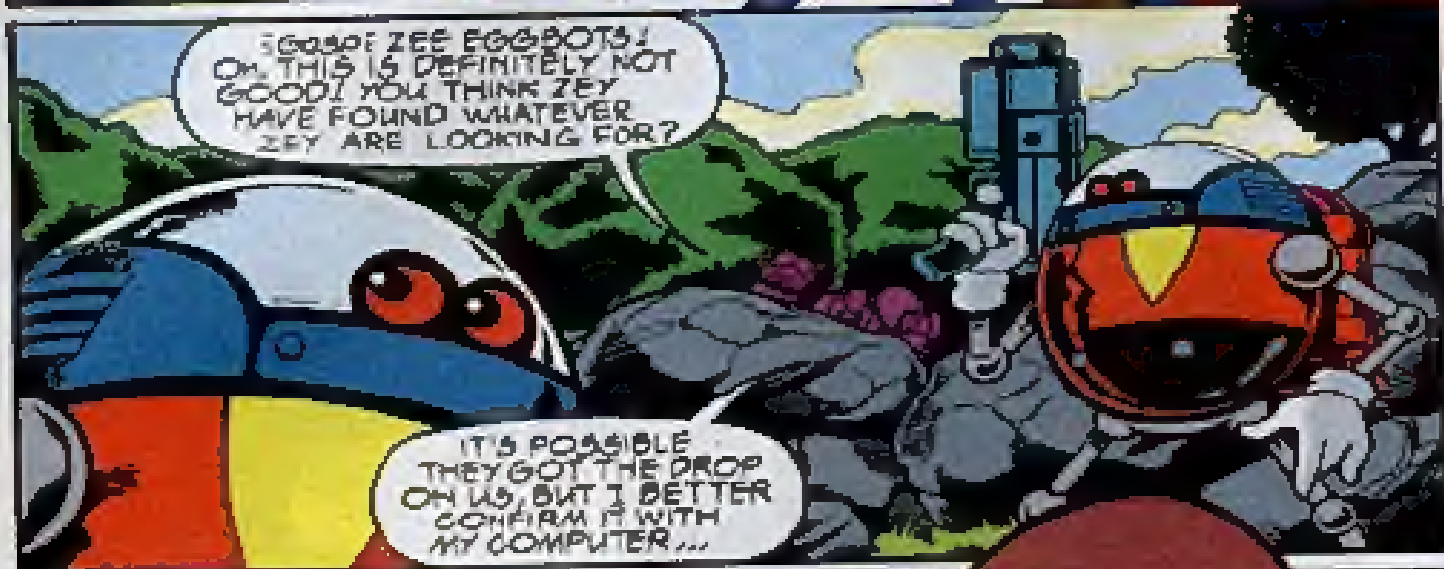


DON'T WORRY-- THERE'S PLENTY OF ROOM FOR BOTH OF THEM!



UNREAL! WHAT ARE THE EGGBOTS UP TO?

THEY'RE ONTO SOMETHING ALRIGHT ...AND THEY'VE BROUGHT THE MEGA HARDWARE TO DIG IT UP. MAYBE IF WE'RE VERY QUIET WE CAN...



THERE'S A STRONG  
ENERGY SIGNATURE  
FROM A SECOND ORIGIN  
POINT.

WHAT'S THIS? IT  
DOESN'T LOOK LIKE  
ANY GENERATOR I'VE  
SEEN BEFORE.

IF I DIDN'T  
KNOW BETTER, I'D  
SAY IT WAS SOME  
SORT OF  
CRYPT...

Z'S EES ZEE  
PROBLEM YOU HAVE  
--CONFUSING ZEE  
BRAVERY WITH ZEE  
IDIOTCY!

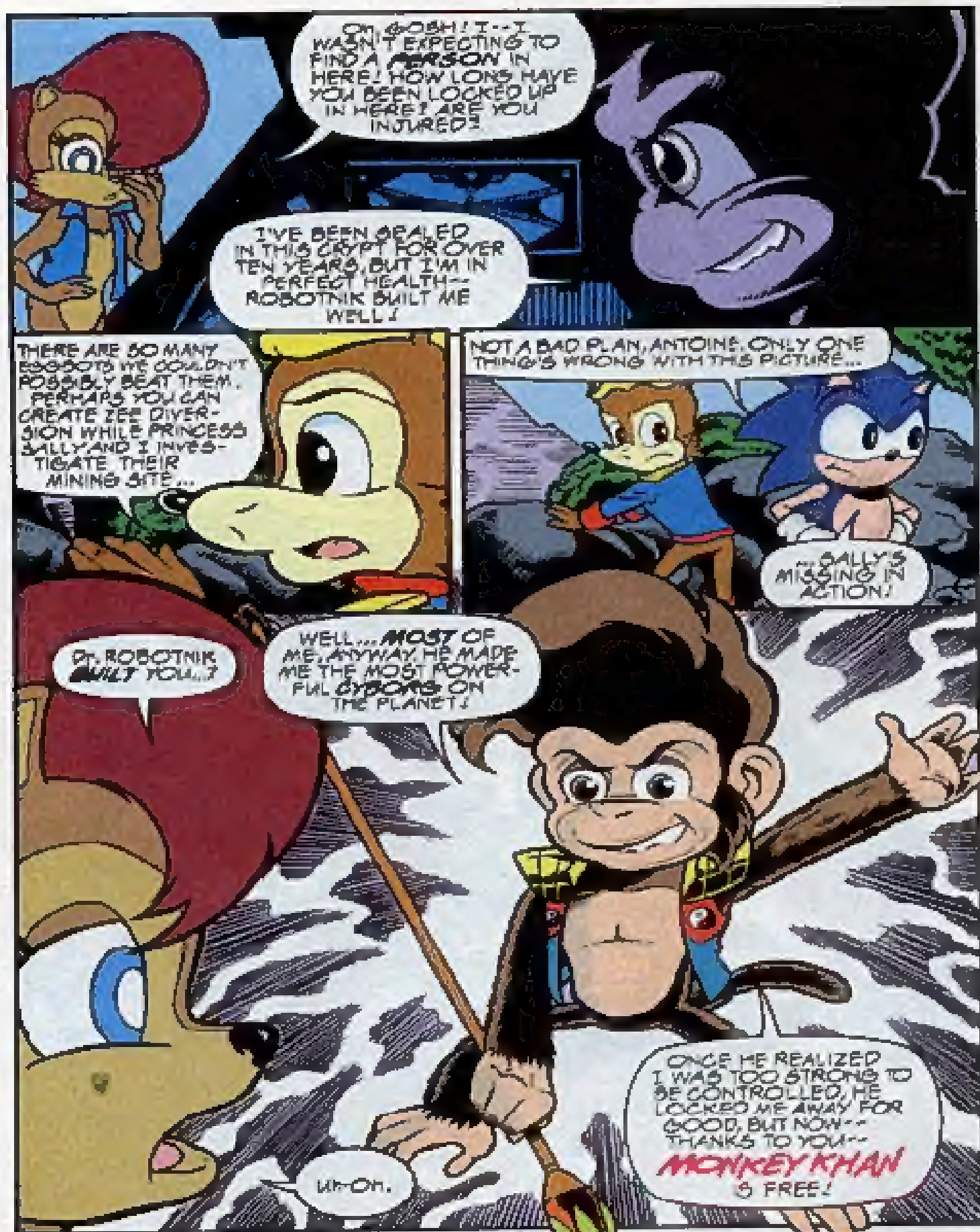
I AM NOT ZEE  
CHICKEN! I JUST  
THINK WE SHOULD  
CONSIDER ALL OUR  
OPTIONS BEFORE  
JUMPING INTO ZEE  
FRAY.

YOU KNOW  
I HATE IT  
WHEN YOU HIT  
ME WITH  
LOGIC...

SOUNDS TO  
ME LIKE ONE  
OF US IS  
CHICKEN!

MANAGED TO  
CRACK THE SENSOR-  
LOCK. NOW IT'S JUST  
A MATTER OF OPENING  
THE DOOR.

SCHEMATIC! WHATEVER'S  
IN HERE MUST BE PRETTY  
DARN VALUABLE, TO BE  
SO STRONGLY SECURED.



OH, GOSH! I--I WASN'T EXPECTING TO FIND A PERSON IN HERE! HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN LOCKED UP IN HERE? ARE YOU INJURED?

I'VE BEEN SEALED IN THIS CRYPT FOR OVER TEN YEARS, BUT I'M IN PERFECT HEALTH--ROBOTNIK BUILT ME WELL!

THERE ARE SO MANY EGGSOTS WE COULDN'T POSSIBLY BEAT THEM. PERHAPS YOU CAN CREATE THE DIVERSION WHILE PRINCESS SALLY AND I INVESTIGATE THEIR MINING SITE...

NOT A BAD PLAN, ANTOINE. ONLY ONE THING'S WRONG WITH THIS PICTURE...

SALLY'S MISSING IN ACTION!

DR. ROBOTNIK BUILT YOU...?

WELL... MOST OF ME, ANYWAY. HE MADE ME THE MOST POWERFUL CYBORG ON THE PLANET!

Wh-oh.

ONCE HE REALIZED I WAS TOO STRONG TO BE CONTROLLED, HE LOCKED ME AWAY FOR GOOD, BUT NOW-- THANKS TO YOU--

**MONKEY KHAN** IS FREE!



MEANWHILE, AT THE  
DEVIL'S GULAG...

# MONKEY MADNESS



REPORT IN, DRILL  
UNIT. YOUR MASTER  
SNIVELY GROWS  
IMPATIENT.

ARE YOU  
PROGRESSING  
ON SCHEDULE OR  
ARE YOU PLAYING  
ON THIDLING  
YOUR THUMBS  
ALL DAY?

PRIMARY TASK  
IS ACCOMPLISHED--  
THE ATOM-DRILL HAS  
SUCCESSFULLY PENE-  
TRATED THE OUTER  
CRUST.

POWER SOURCE  
LOCATED IN SUB-  
TERRANEAN  
STREAM...

ADVANCE  
SPECULATION CON-  
FIRMED: A POWER  
RING OF IMMENSE  
PROPORTIONS: COM-  
MENCING REMOVAL  
PROCEDURES NOW.

POWER RING? I  
DIDN'T WANT A POWER  
RING! I WANTED YOU  
TO FIND IXIS NAUGHT'S  
POWER SIGNATURE!!!







UNIDENTIFIED-SUBJECT-HAS-STOLEN-THE-POWER-RINGS?

ALL-EGG-UNITS, ELIMINATE-SUBJECT!

THAT IS NOT SO EASILY ACCOMPLISHED, BOLT-BRAIN!

I MAY BE A BIT RUSTY AFTER SITTING ON MY BUTT FOR SO LONG...

...BUT THE DAY I CAN'T MOP THE FLOOR WITH A BUNCH OF TIN-PLATED CYBER-DRONES IS THE DAY I THINK ABOUT A RETIREMENT PLAN!



BUT WHY GET BOGGED DOWN WITH SUCH MUNDANE CONCERNS, WHEN THERE'S A POSSIBLE STAND JUST WAITING TO BE BLOWN... TO BITS?

SUBJECT-HAS-DESTROYED-THE-ATOM-DRILL! ALL-UNITS-REGROUP! ALL-UNITS...

OBSEPERATED I CANT BELIEVE THAT A MONKEY CHARACTER HAS BE STOOD? HE HONT CATCH A SECOND EGGBOT SO JAD SO OFF GUARD.

SURELY IN AN SNOWHOP A NO DOES HE THINK HE IS ANYWAYS?

APPARENTLY HE SAID NOA CREATED BY ROBOTNIK, A LONG TIME AGO. BUT

ROBOTNIK??

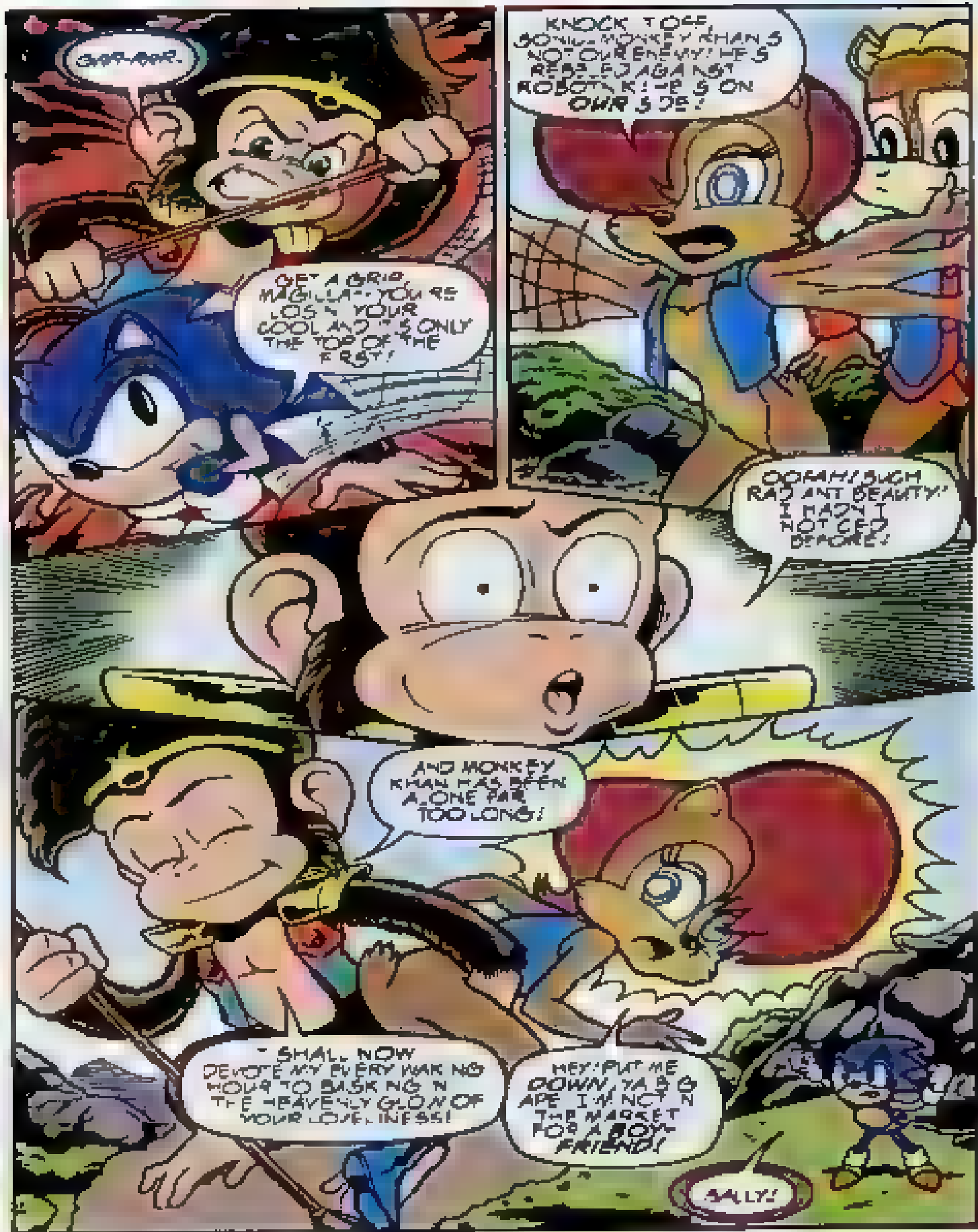
THATS ALL I NEED TO HEAR I THINK BUT WE CANT BE UP TO ANY GOOD BELIEVE IT

EVEN WHEN DO WE SEE ALL THOSE EGGBOTS I DONT TRUST HIM

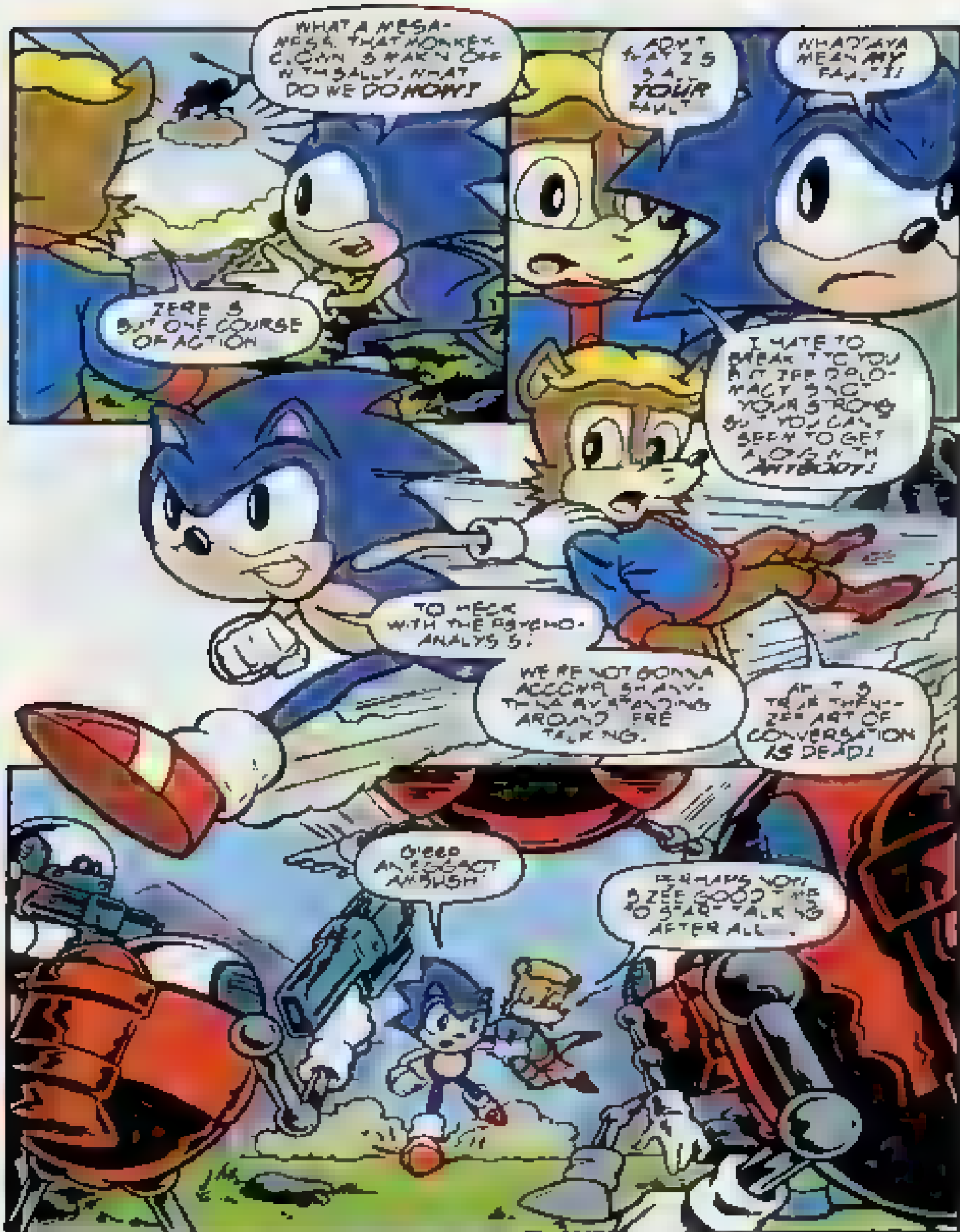
NO SONG! WAIT!

YO MONKEY BOY! WE TO GET SERIOUS YOU'RE GOING ONE ON ONE WITH THE HOG NOW

WHAT THE HELL GOOF!







# MONKEY MADNESS

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ADMIT IT, ANYONE--THERE IS NO SO CALLED CRISIS I CAN EASILY HANDLE!

CHECK T-- THIS IS WHAT I CALL TWO-ASTED DR O--MAY I NOT YOU SHADY MAN?

I AM NOT A T NO SIGHT IN THE S TEE COVDETELY DRECK S TATION.

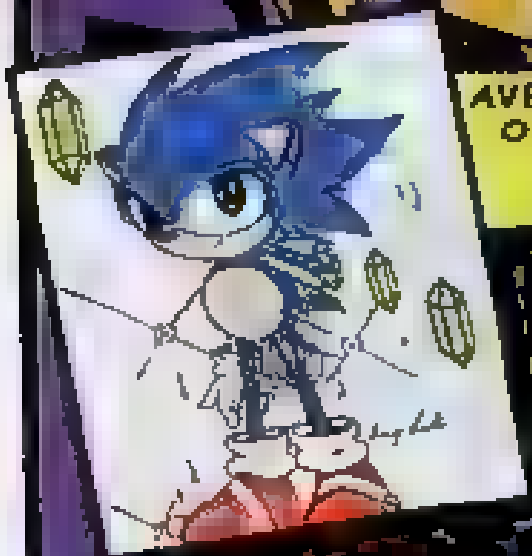
USUALLY IN THE KELIATP MATTERS SUCH AS THIS THE CORRECTING PARTS ARE NOT.

...Doooh, I TRYING TO K EACH OTHER!

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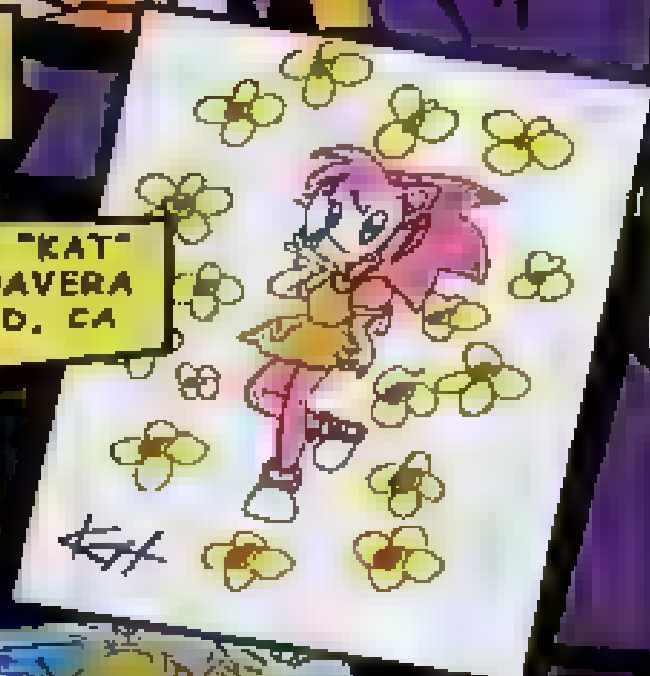
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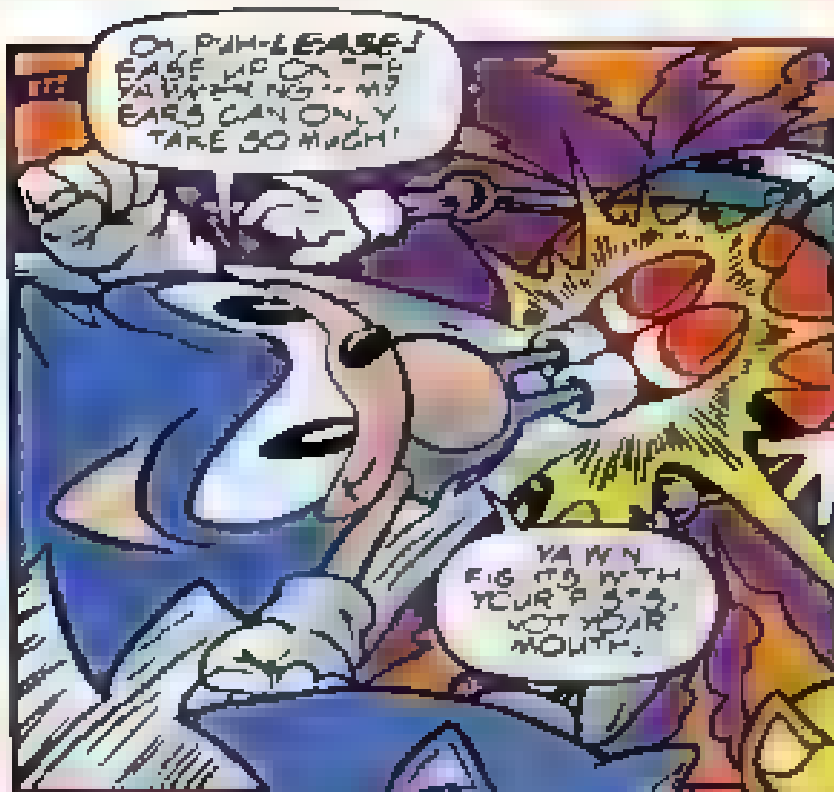


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OH, PLEASE!  
EASE UP ON THE  
YAWNING-- MY  
EARS CAN ONLY  
TAKE SO MUCH!

YAWN  
FIGHT WITH  
YOUR FISTS,  
NOT YOUR  
MOUTH.



YOU SEE?  
THAT'S YOUR  
SOLUTION FOR  
EVERYTHING--  
VIOLENCE!



CUT TO  
THE CHASE,  
ANYONE--  
WHAT ARE  
YOU TRYING  
TO TELL  
ME?



THAT YOU ARE  
UNPREFERABLE ANTAG-  
ONISTIC-- YOU DON'T  
PLAY WELL WITH OTHERS  
AND--



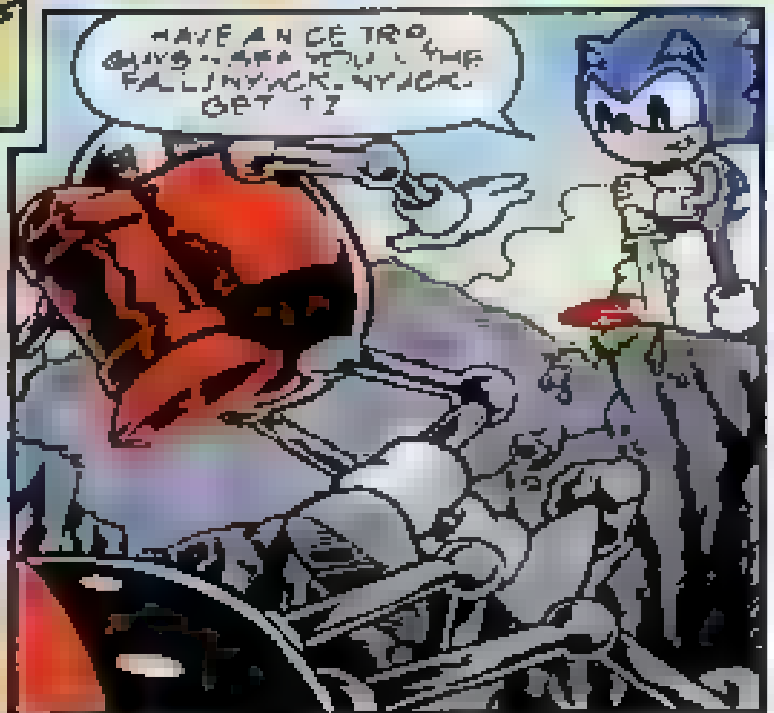
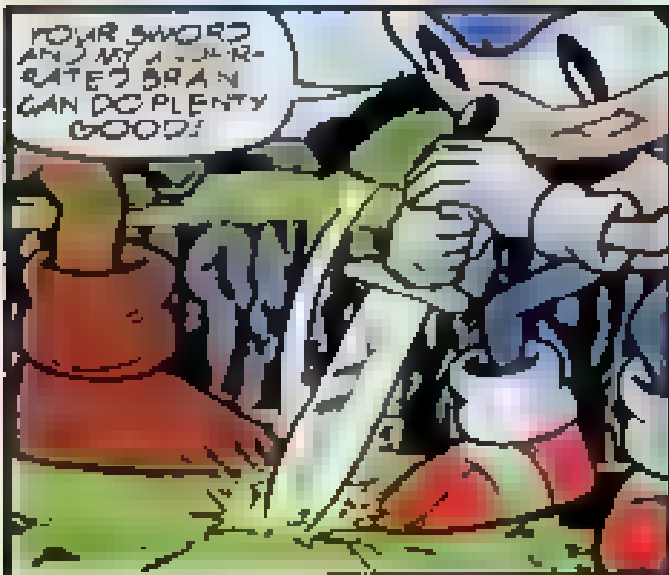
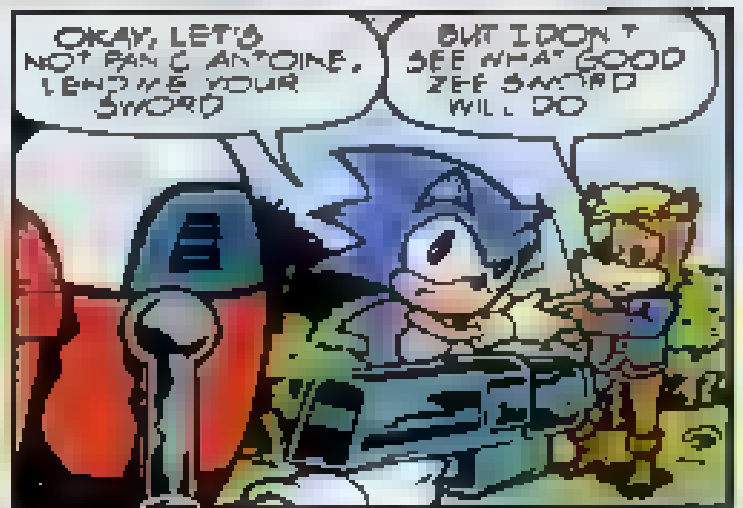
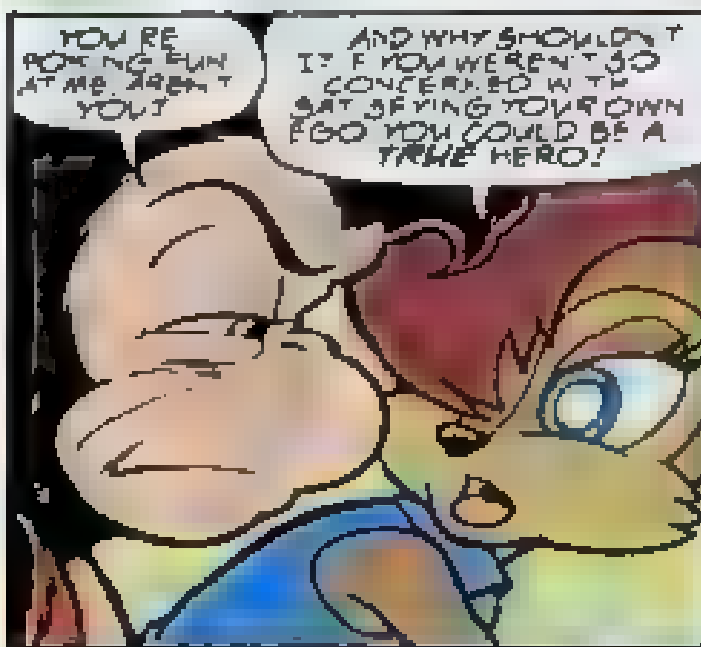
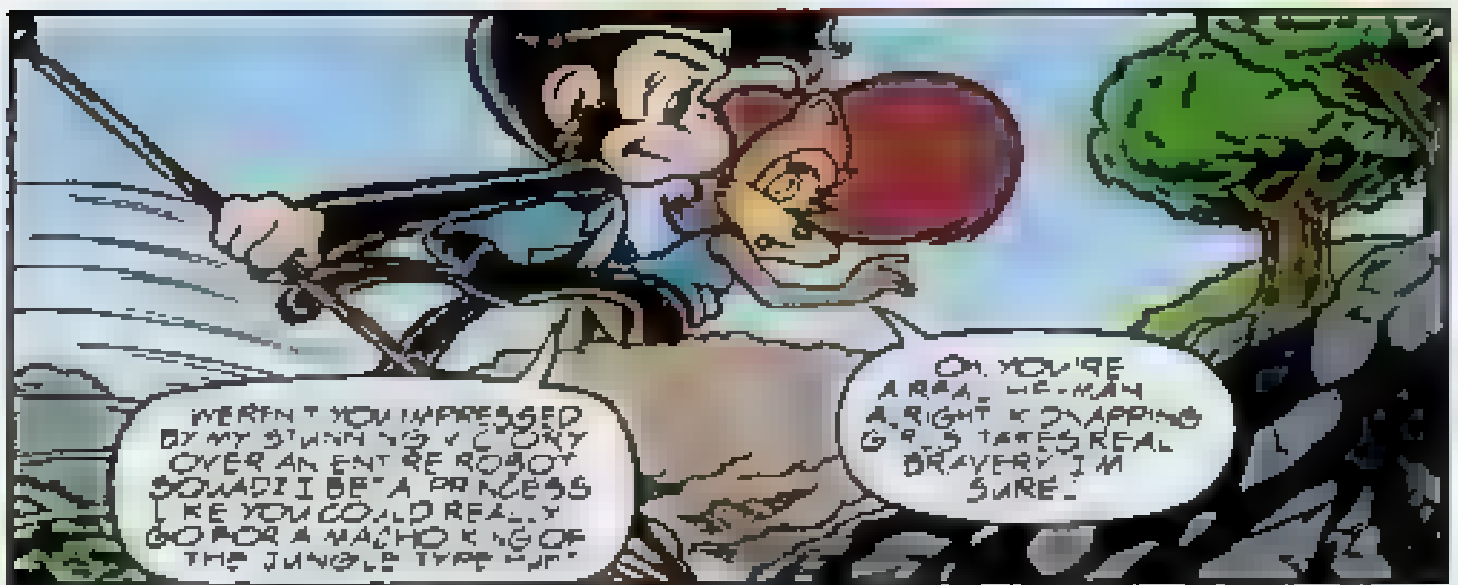
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SHOULD WATCH  
YOUR STEP.

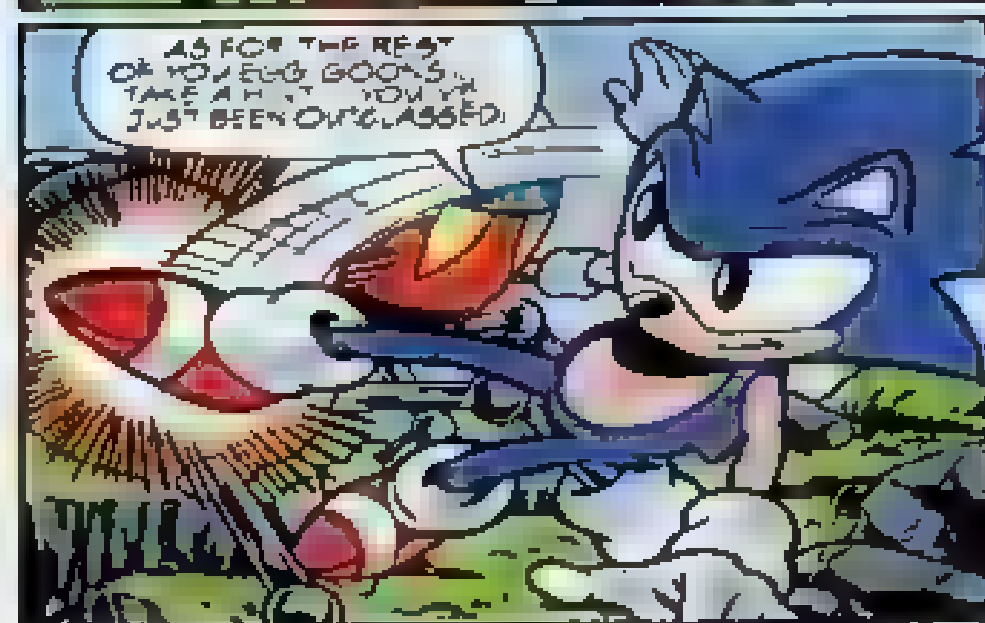
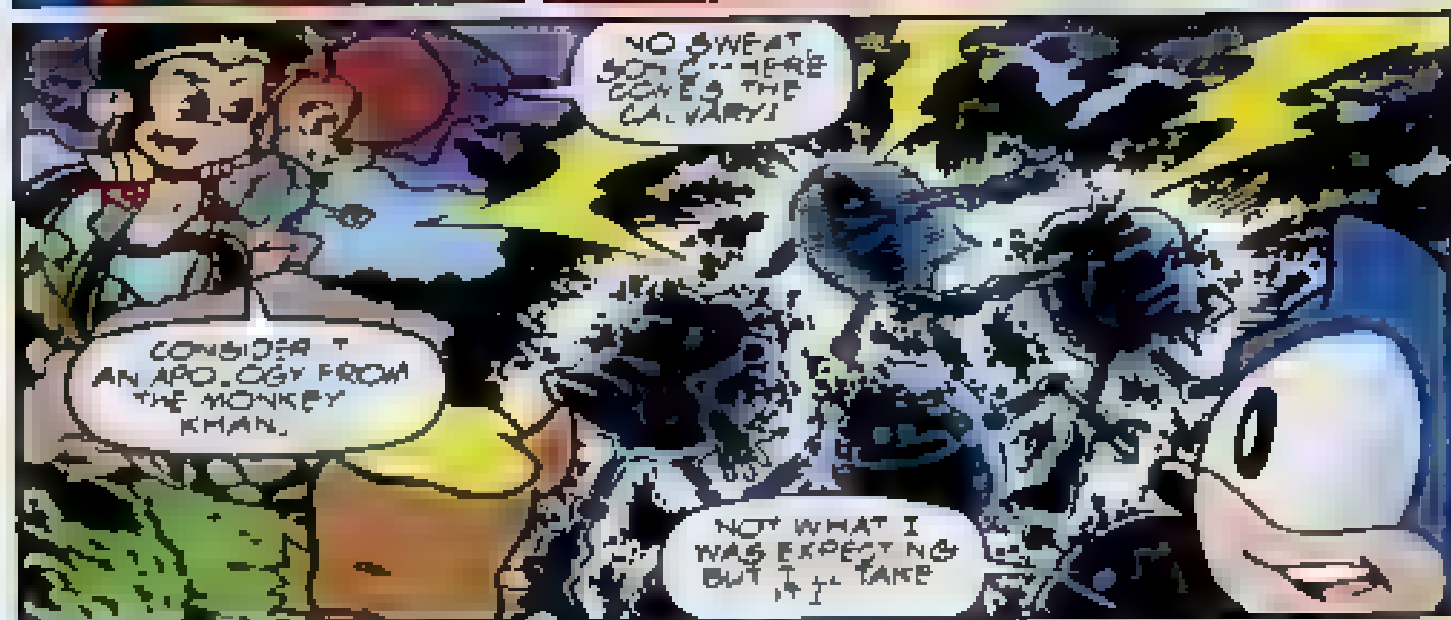
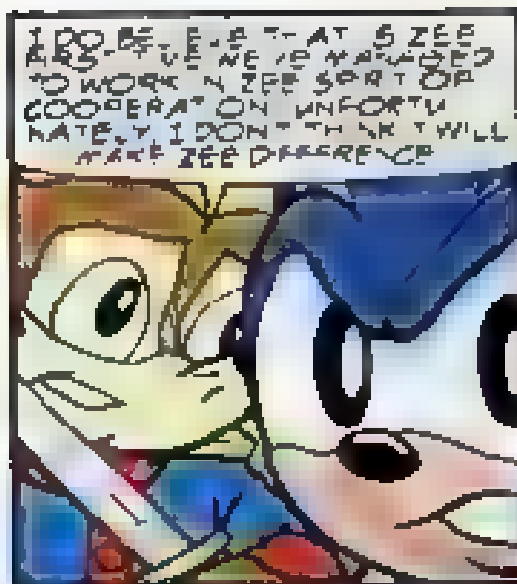
WHEN THAT WAS  
CLOSE ENOUGH FOR  
ME TO NOT TAKE A  
HEADBUTT INTO  
THAT PIT!



I GET ZEE  
FEELING WE'RE MERELY  
POSTPONING ZEE  
NEED-- B.E!

THIS MUST BE  
WHAT THEY CALL A  
"CLIFFHANGER"

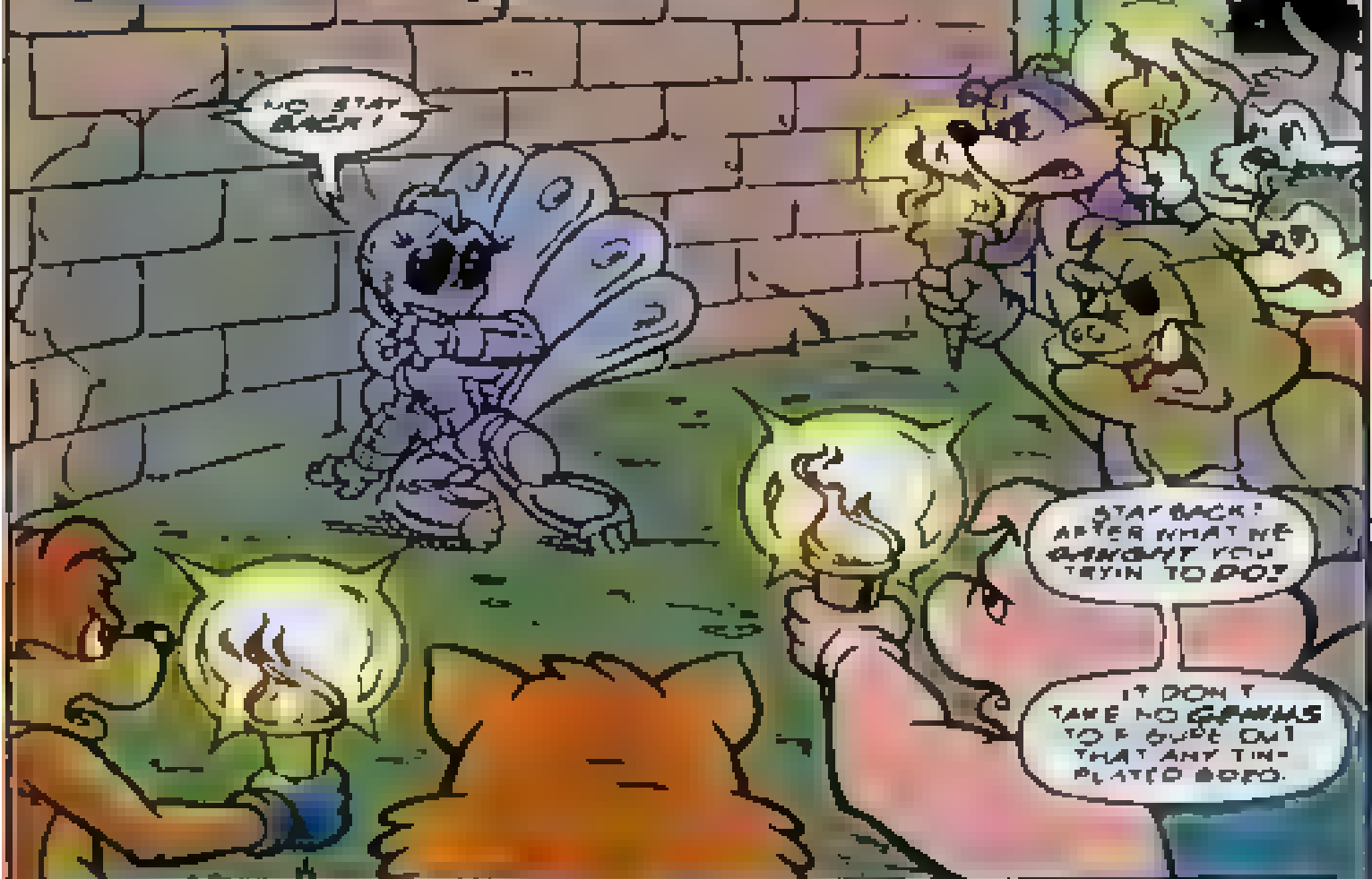




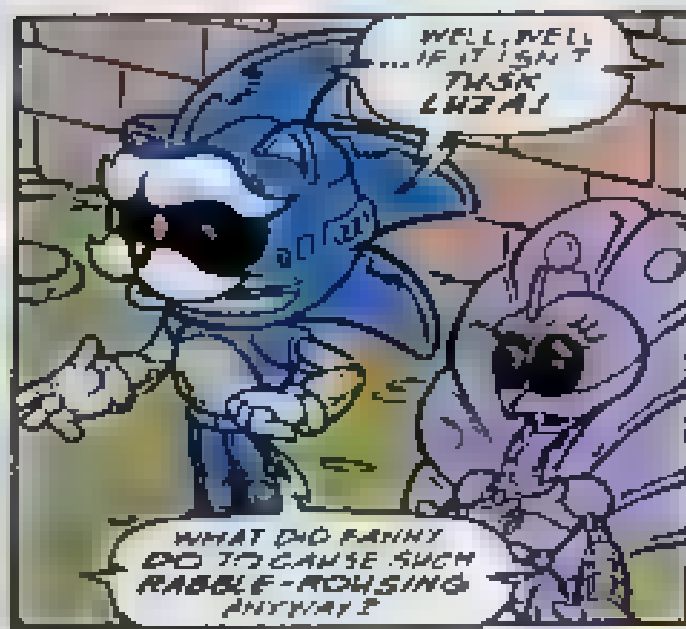
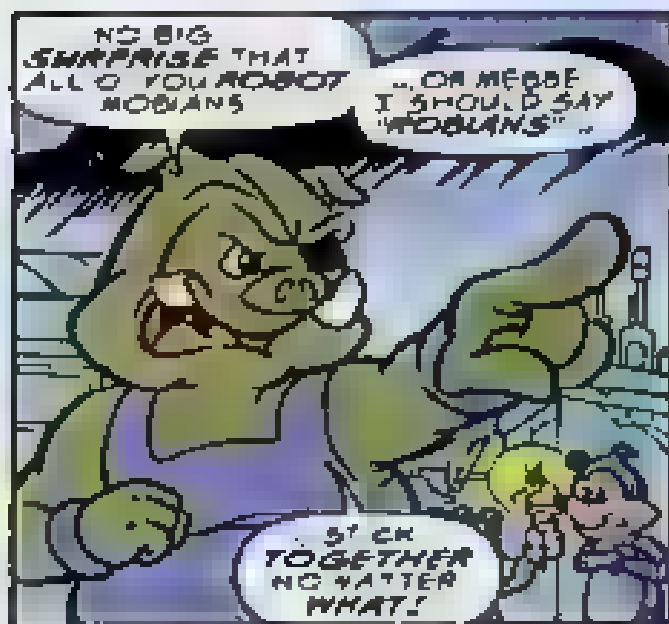
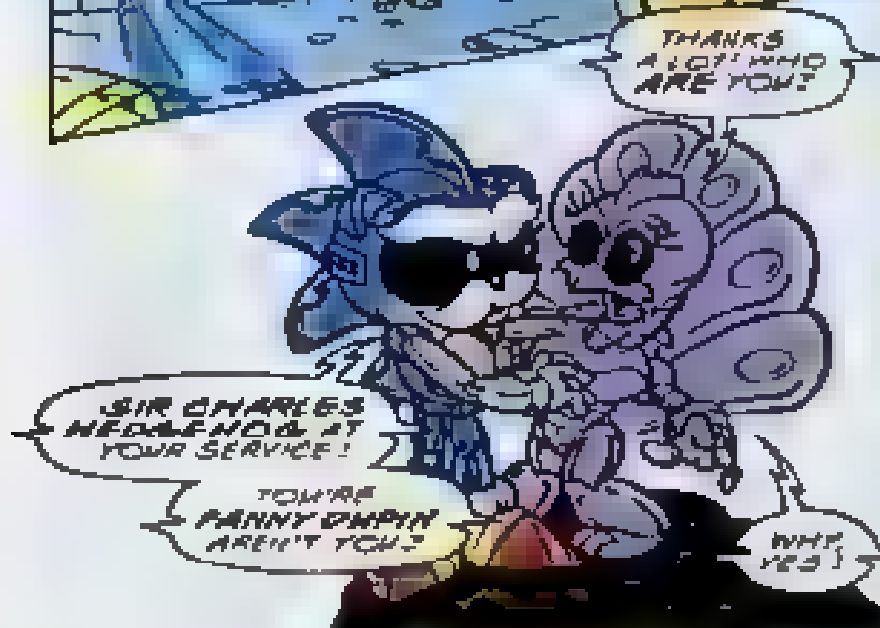




# UNCLE CHUCK <sup>meets the</sup> ROBIVANS!



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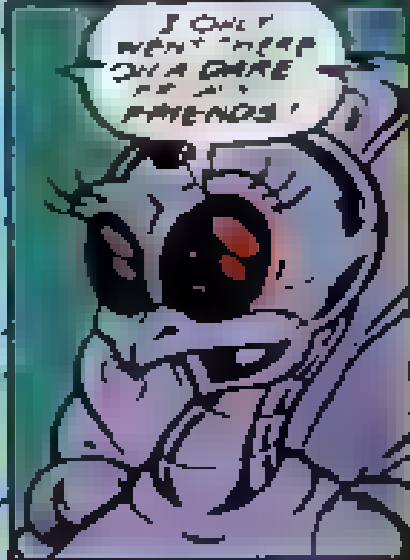


GO AHEAD TELL HIM HOW  
I'VE CAUGHT YOU SPYIN'  
AROUND ROBOTNIK'S LAB!



I'VE GOT LIES  
FOR EVERYONE!

I ONLY  
WENT THERE  
ON A DATE  
FOR MY  
FRIENDS!



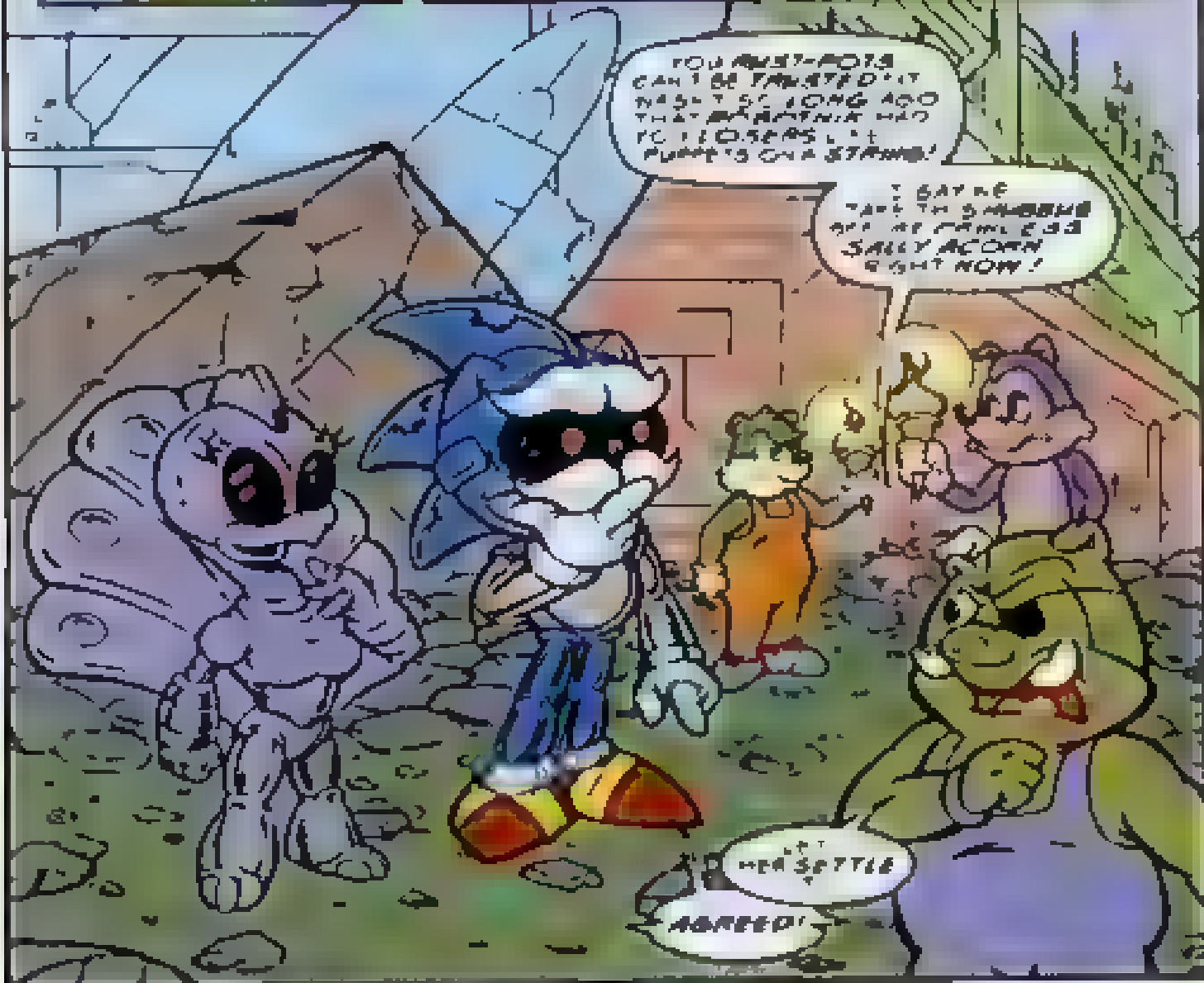
THERE THERE  
DON'T YOU WORRY  
THERE'S A REASON FOR  
EVERYTHING I SAY  
FOR YOU ISN'T IT?



AIN'T YOU  
GOTTA  
HEAR  
ROBOTS!

YOU MUST-FOTS  
CAN'T BE TRUSTED-IT  
WASN'T SO LONG AGO  
THAT BARTHELMIA HAD  
TO FLEE BECAUSE  
PUPP'S ON A STRIKE!

I SAY WE  
TAKE TH'S SHABBY  
OFF AT ONCE AND  
SALLY ACORN  
RIGHT NOW!



LET  
HEA SETTLE

AGREED!

AS NIGHT FALLS  
HER DARKNESS TO  
CASTLE ACORN...

ONCE THE HEADQUARTERS  
OF TECHNO GENIUS DR. ROBOTNIK

SO TO DO THE TWO  
GUARDING PARTIES -  
BY BAN AND ROB AN  
BRING THE PRESENCE  
TO THE THRONE ROOM

WHERE IN BLUE  
GLAZES IS THE PRINCESS  
AT THIS TIME WE'VE BEEN  
WAIT HERE A WHOLE FIVE  
MINUTES ALREADY!

AND YOU'LL WAIT FIVE  
HOURS IF NEED BE YOU LONT!  
FURTHERMORE YOU'LL SHOW  
RESPECT WHEN IN THE ROYAL  
ANAL OF REESCORTED OUT!

NOW WHAT'S ALL  
THE COMMOTION?

AFTER A BRIEF  
RECAPITULATION

THAT'S THE  
WHOLE STORY,  
ST JOHN!

THE PRINCESS IS AWAY  
ON A MISSION\* SO THIS MATTER  
MUST BE POSTPONED!

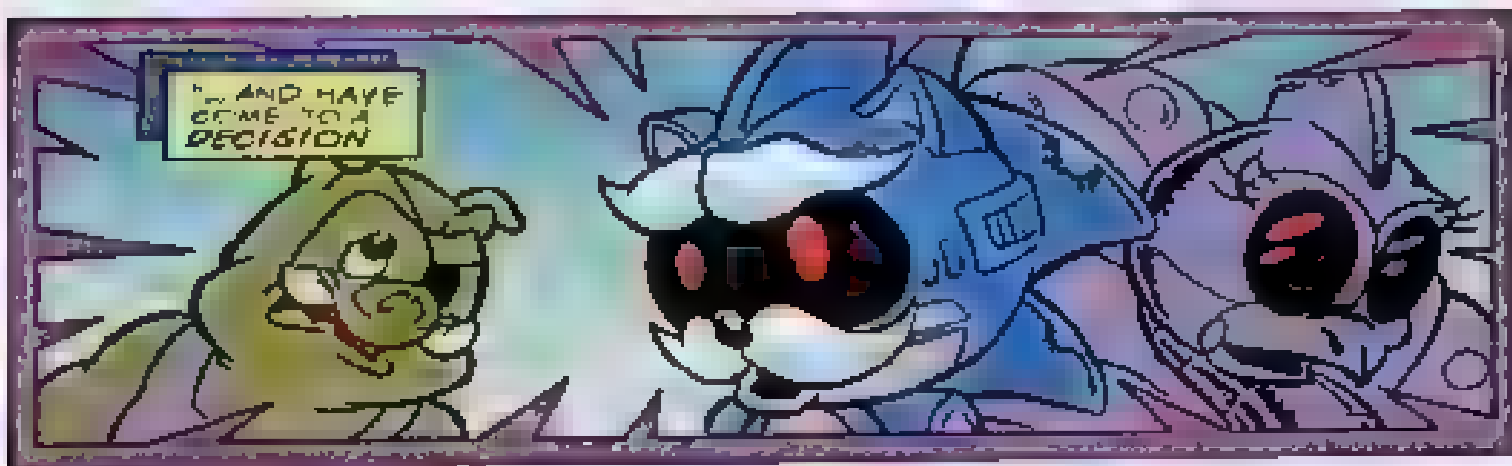
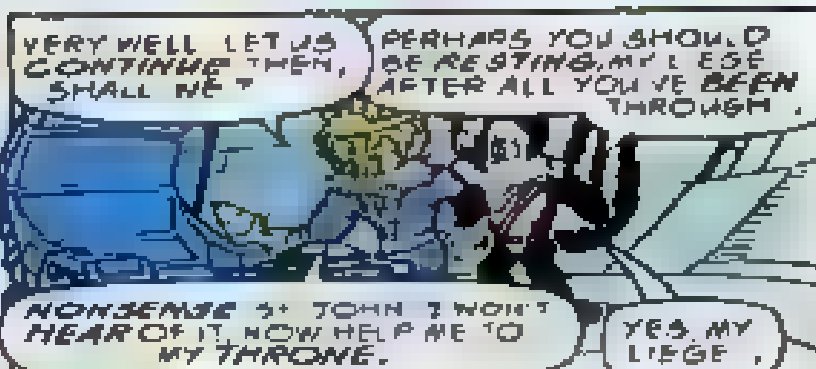
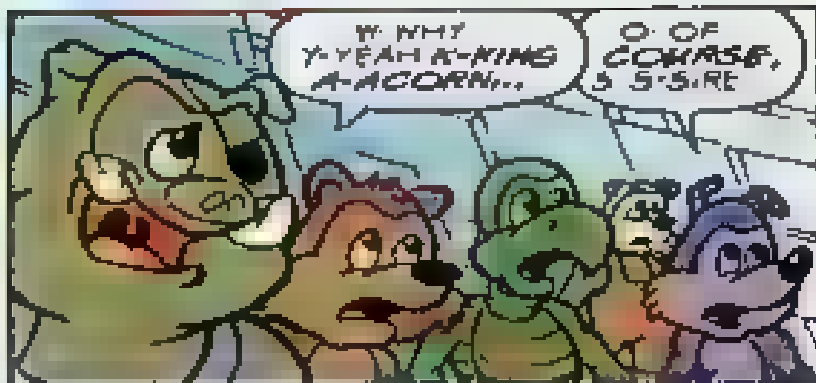
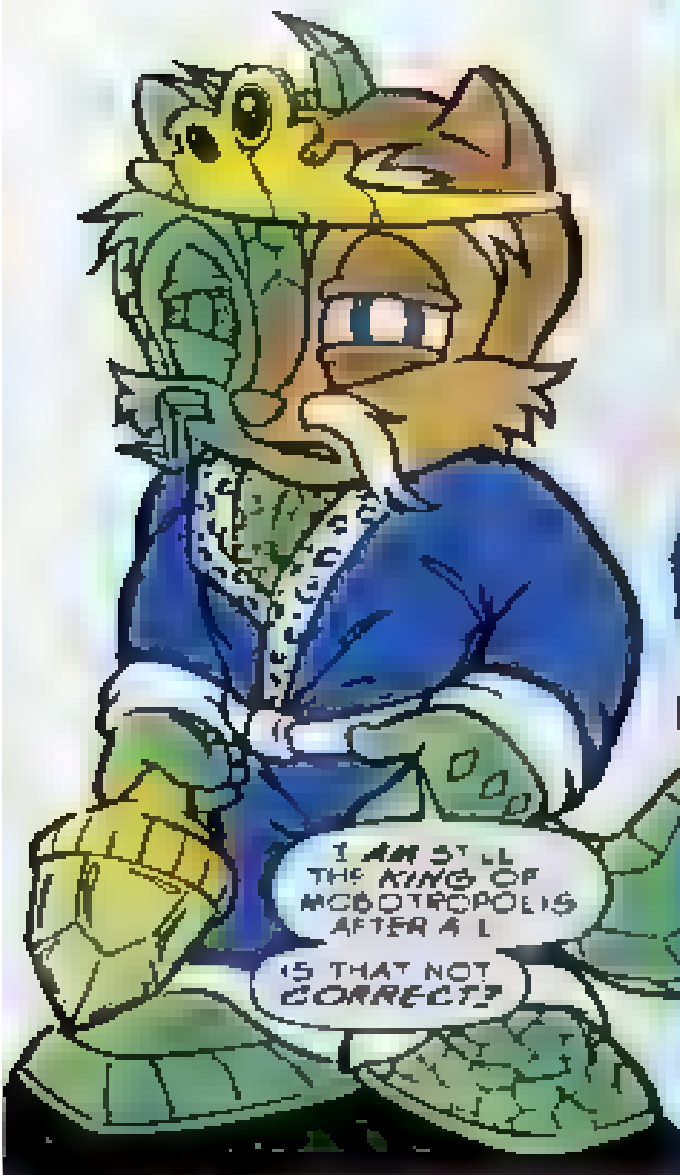
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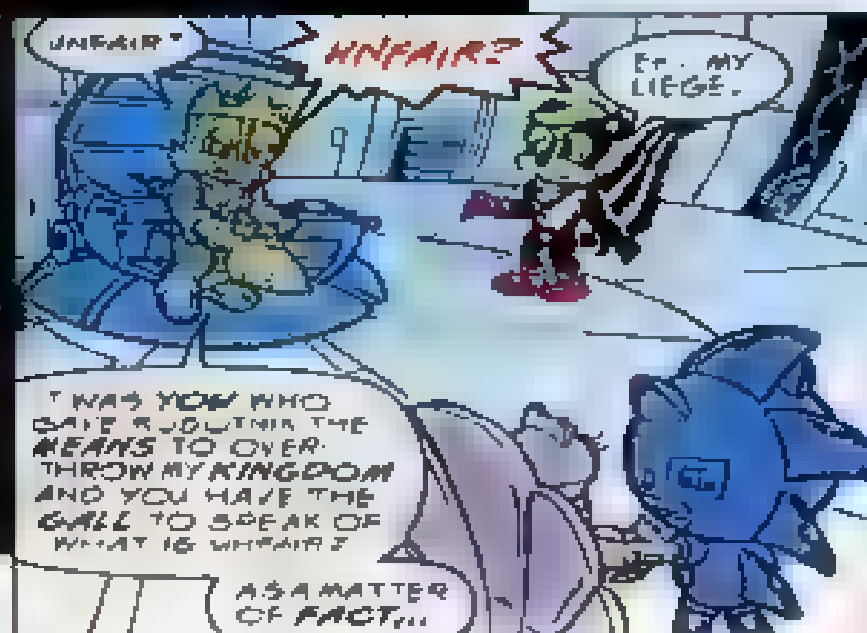
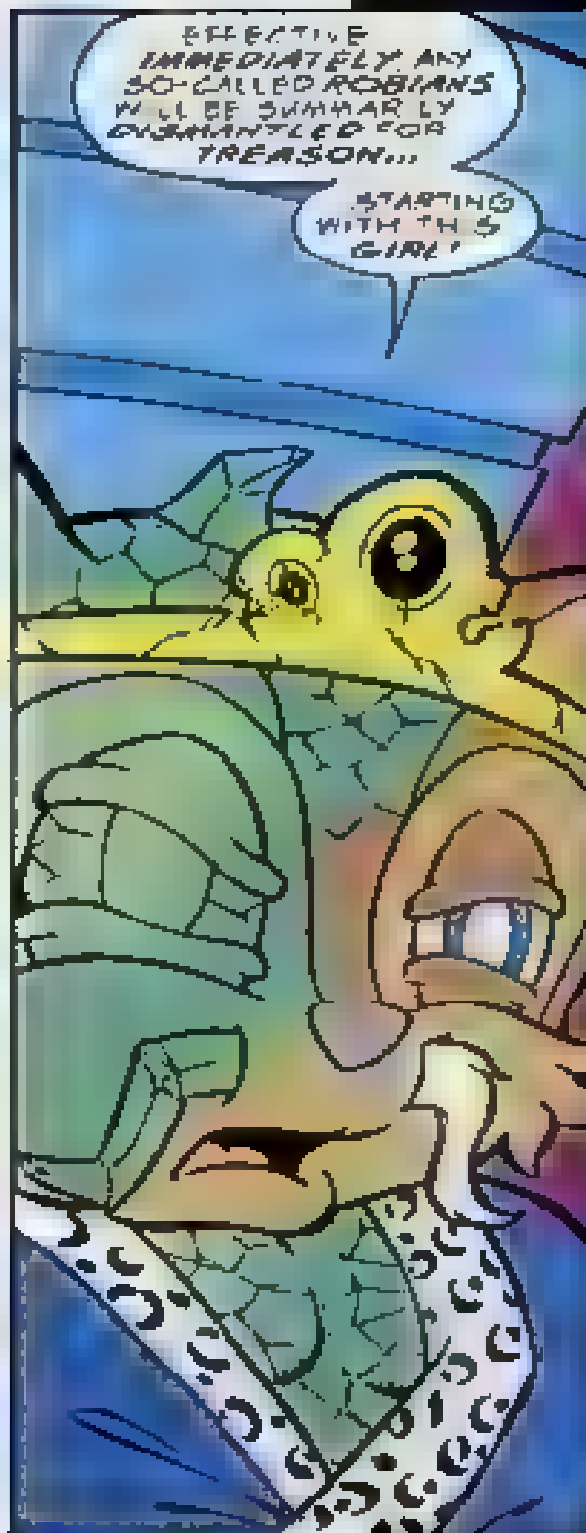
THERE WILL BE NO NEED  
FOR THAT, GEORGEY

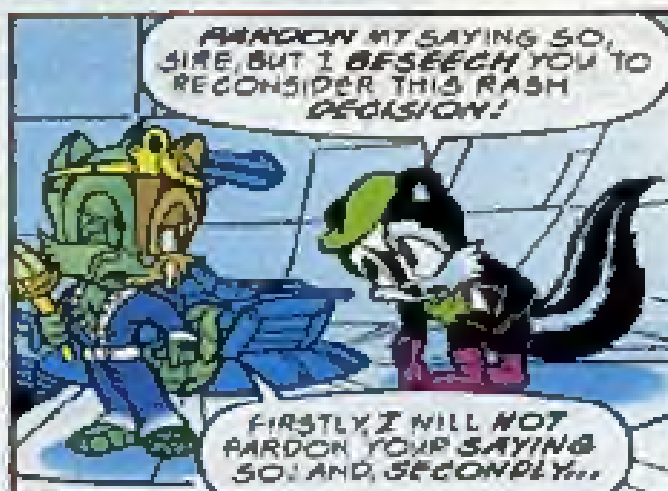
HUH?

WHAT?











BUT THEN...



COME IN, FREEDOM FIGHTERS! THERE'S TROUBLE ON THE FLOATING ISLAND! WE NEED YOUR HELP!



YOU EVER HAVE ONE OF THOSE DAYS WHERE YOU WONDER WHY YOU GOT OUTTA BED IN THE FIRST PLACE?

DON'T MISS KNUCKLES #9 TO CHECK OUT WHAT'S SHAKING UP ON THE FLOATING ISLAND!



# SMASHING! CIZOS

A Freddy Roberts Cover

## THIS JUST IN!

### A NEW HERO IN TOWN!

IN ONE WEEK, IS THE FIRST ON YOUR BLOCK TO GET THE FIRST PREVIEW ISSUE OF NIGHTS INTO DREAMS #1 (OF 3)! IN THE WORLD OF NIGHTOPOLIS WHERE DREAMS ARE PLAYED OUT, AN EVIL BEING IS GAINING THERMIDOR POWER. HE IS WIZEMAN THE WICKED, AND THROUGH HIS CREATIONS THE NIGHTMARE, HE CAPTURES FREEDOM DREAM ENERGY FROM HUMANS. IF HE IS NOT STOPPED, HE WILL RISE FROM THE SHADOWS AND ENTER OUR WORLD. IF THIS WERE TO HAPPEN, NO POWER ON EARTH WOULD BE ABLE TO STOP HIM. BUT THERE IS ONLY ONE THING WIZEMAN NEEDS TO COMPLETE HIS PLANS: THE RAREST DREAM ENERGY THAT CAN ONLY BE HARVESTED BY THE TWO PERFECT DREAMERS THAT LIVED YEARS IN THIS CITY: THEY ARE ELLIOT EDWARDS AND CLARE SINCLAIR. NIGHTS, A FORMER WIZEMAN, MANAGED TO ESCAPE HIS GRASP AND BECAME A FORCE FOR GOOD. HE WILL COME TO THE AID OF CLARE AND ELLIOT IN THE LAND OF NIGHTOPOLIS. TOGETHER, THEY HOPE TO DEFEAT WIZEMAN AND HIS EVIL NIGHTMARE. BUT WILL THEY BE ENOUGH TO SAVE THE WORLD? WRITTEN BY DAN SLOTT WITH ART BY SPAX, MANNY AND MARYO. DON'T MISS IT! ON SALE DECEMBER 1997!



NIGHTS INTO DREAMS #1 ON SALE DECEMBER 1997



KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #1 ON SALE DECEMBER 1997

IN TWO WEEKS THE CONCLUSION OF "THE DARK VENGEANCE" STORY LINE. WIZEMAN'S KNUCKLES' BIGGEST CHALLENGE YET AS HE IS TAKEN ABOUT HOLSTERS BY HOLSTER COURTNEY OF THE POWER OF EMBELAK! BEHOLD THE WISDOM INTO ECHIDNAOPOLIS BY KRAGON AND THE DARK LEGION! ADD TO HIS FACES AFFAIR AND THE ANCIENT WALKERS, REHINGTON AND THE ECHIDNA SECURITY TEAM, STRYKER AND THE DUNGOES, AS WELL AS SONIC AND THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS. BUT WAIT, THERE'S MORE. IS A VILLAIN FROM THE NOT-YET-DEPARTED PAST ABOUT TO REVEAL IT?

ALL BUT FINGERPOIN IN THE KNUCKLES-FINGERPOIN STORY BY KEN FENDERS WITH ART BY MANNY GALAN AND ANDREW PEPOY! ON SALE DECEMBER 1997!

AND NEXT MONTH: THE RETURN OF SUPER SONIC AND HYPER KNUCKLES!!! DON'T MISS IT! ON SALE JANUARY 1998!

CATCH THEM ON THE FLIP SIDE!



SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #1 ON SALE JANUARY 1998

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LETTERS CAN BE AN OVERWHELMING AMOUNT OF OPINION. IT IS IMPORTANT FOR US TO HEAR PERSONALLY IN YOUR OWN SPEECH. HOWEVER, YOUR OPINIONS ARE IMPORTANT TO US AND YOUR WEBSITE WILL BE HELP. PLEASE FOR UNDERSTANDING.



AS INCREDIBLE AS IT MAY SEEM, "END GAME" PART TWO RECEIVED EVEN MORE LETTERS THAN PART ONE. HERE'S JUST A SAMPLE OF WHAT WAS SAID...

**DEAR END PEOPLE,**

I'VE JUST READ SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #44. IT WAS AMAZING! THIS ISSUE SEEMED INCREDIBLE FOR ME BECAUSE IT INCORPORATED MANY THOUGHT-PROVOKING AND THRILLING SCENES, ESPECIALLY CONCERNING INDIVIDUAL PERSONALITIES. ONLY AGAIN, I MUST SAY IT WAS GREAT. WHAT STARTED OUT AS JUST ANOTHER KID'S BOOK THAT TOO OFTEN FELL THE SCENARIO OF COMING ON, WAS ELEVATED INTO A MUCH MORE SIGNIFICANT LEVEL WITHOUT LOSTING THE KIDS. ORIGINALLY, I WAS IN LOVE WITH SONIC'S BROTHER CARTOON BECAUSE OF ITS INCREDIBLY-INVOLVED PLOTS. NOW THAT THE CARTOON IS NOT ON THE AIR, I AM SO GLAD THAT THE COMIC BOOK HAS TAKEN OVER ITS SPOT. THANKS.

**RAVEN WALKER  
WHITTAKER, VA**

THAT'S A COMPLIMENT IF I EVER HEARD ONE. KEEP READING, RAVEN. IT JUST KEEPS GETTING BETTER.

**FR HICKING-PAL,**

WAZ UP! I JUST GOT DONE READING SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #48 AND I HAVE A QUESTION: WHY DID "DA-DU-BUT" GET THE COORDINATES TO KNOTHOLE VILLAGE? DID KING ASK HIM THEN OR WAS IT IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG # 37 & 37B WHEN SONIC ALMOST LEAD ROBOTNIK TO KNOTHOLE. WELL, THAT'S ABOUT IT EXCEPT TO SAY THAT SONIC'S MISSING!

**MARK MEDIA (AGE 12)  
POMONA, CA**

AS EXPLAINED BY DOCTOR QUACK IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #50, ROBOTNIK LOCATED THE ENERGY SIGNATURE OF THE DREAM-WATCHER COMING FROM KNOTHOLE IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #43. HE 'TUNED IN' TO THE FREQUENCY AND FOUND OUT ABOUT THE KING'S RETURN FROM THE 'ZONE OF SILENCE.' THAT'S WHEN HE BEGAN TO DEVISE A PLAN THAT WOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE SITUATION.

THINK IT'S SCARY TO THINK OF IT BUT HE ALMOST WON. TOO BAD FOR HIM HE DIDN'T.

**DEAR SONIC FANS,**

WHAT'S GOING ON HERE? I HEAR IT'S A MAJOR MAJOR SONIC FAN AND I HAVE ALL HIS COPIES. BUT THERE IS NO WAY I'M GOING TO COMBINE ME THAT SALLY HAS BEEN MURDERED. AND EVEN IF SHE WERE, SONIC WOULDN'T HAVE DONE IT. HE LOVES HER! I'M SURE HE'S BEEN MURDERED IF SHE IS GONE FOR GOOD. WHERE WILL THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS GO TO SOONER? I DON'T THINK SO!

**YUN KIM  
METRO, IL**

THANKS FOR BELIEVING IN MY INNOCENCE AS MOST OF MY FANS DO!

**DEAR ANTOINE,**

I THINK RIGHT NOW WOULD BE A GOOD TIME TO QUOTE AMY ROSE IN SONIC #48. EXCEPT WITH ONE CHANGE: "SONIC IS NO WEAPON, KING AROUND SHOULD BE CHILLIN'" COME ON, DON'T FOR THINK BEING A FAULTY-ACCUSED CRIMINAL SINCE IS ENOUGH FOR ANYONE! AND EVEN YOU CAN'T BELIEVE THAT SONIC (SALLY) KILLED SALLY. IF THAT WERE WITH ANOTHER OF ANOTHER'S BODY DUPLICATES OR SOMETHING. ANYONE, I THOUGHT YOU WERE PRETTY COOL SINCE SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #24. OF COURSE, IF YOU STILL CONTINUE TO BELIEVE IN HIM IT, THEN YOU'RE GOING TO LOSE POSSIBLY YOUR ONLY FAN. WELL, ONE MORE THING BEFORE I GO: DRAGON IS THE TARTAR!

**MARK "JLT" FAN  
ST. MARGARET, IL**

FORTUNATELY, WE FOUND OUT ABOUT DRAGON JUST IN THE RECK OF TIME. AND WITH MERSHLEY'S TESTIMONY, DRAGON'S GOING TO BE IN THE GULAG FOR A LONG TIME. AS FAR AS ANTOINE THINKING I WAS THE CULPRIT BEHIND SALLY'S FALL, HE WAS GOING BY WHAT HE SAW. BUT, I'M GLAD TO HAVE FOUND OUT LATER THAT HE AND BUNNIE TRIED TO CLEAR MY NAME WHEN THEY WERE SENT TO CROCODILE'S PRISON COMPOUND IN DOWNTOWN. BY THE WAY, IF YOU WANT TO FIND OUT HOW THEY

ESCAPED, CHECK OUT SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #4 COMING OUT IN JANUARY 1998!



**MY FREEDOM FIGHTERS,**

THE COMIC SERIES "END GAME" IS A SONIC BLAST! I CAN'T WAIT UNTIL THE NEXT ISSUE SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #49 "ESCAPE FROM THE FLOATING ISLAND" TO COME OUT. I'D LIKE TO ALSO MENTION THAT LIKE DANIELLE HADRI, I ALSO LOVE JAMES' NAME (SALVATION). I WATCH THEM EVERY SATURDAY MORNING ON THE SCI-FI CHANNEL.

**LUCKY17@AOL.COM**

I GOTTA TELL YOU, RUNNING AROUND LIKE A MANIAC FROM BOTH MY FRIENDS AND MY ENEMIES BECAUSE OF MY BEING FRAMED FOR SALLY'S SUPPOSED DEATH BY ROBOTNIK WAS NOT COOL! NO WAY. OH-UM, DON'T WANT TO DO THAT AGAIN.

**UNTIL  
NEXT  
MONTH,  
KEEP  
ON  
JUICIN'!**